

REMARKS

Status of Claims

Claims 1-10 are pending, of which claims 1 and 6 are active independent claims.

Claims 1-5 have been amended to correct informalities in the claim language. Care has been taken to avoid introducing new matter.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Suzuki et al. (US 6,447,934) in view of Hamada et al (US 6,387,546) and Eida (WO 2001/67824). Claims 6-10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Suzuki et al. in view of Hamada et al., Aziz et al. (US 6,614,175) and Eida. These rejections are traversed for at least the following.

Applicants respectfully submit that, at a minimum, none of the cited references disclose or suggest that glass transition temperature of the host material is 85 °C or higher, as recited by claims 1 and 6. In rejecting independent claims 1 and 6, the Examiner asserts that Eida discloses the use of distyryl arylene or derivatives thereof as the host material. Applicants, however, submit that Eida does not disclose that glass transition temperature of the host material is 85 °C or higher, as recited by claims 1 and 6. Eida is silent about the glass transition temperature of the host material. It is clear that the remaining cited references also fail to disclose that glass transition temperature of the host material is 85 °C or higher.

It should be noted that it is well known to one of skill in the art that the glass transition temperature of the host material varies with the molecular mass of the host material.

Accordingly, mere use of distyryl arylene or derivatives thereof in Eida as the host material does

not necessarily mean that the host material of Eida possesses the glass transition temperature of 85 °C or higher.

Based on the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1 and 6 and all claims dependent thereon are patentable over the cited references. Thus, it is requested that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

CONCLUSION

Having fully responded to all matters raised in the Office Action, Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance, an indication for which is respectfully solicited. If there are any outstanding issues that might be resolved by an interview or an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is requested to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number shown below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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